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**NOTICE OF APPEAL AND REQUEST FOR
EXTENSION OF TIME
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF AMENDMENT**

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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner in the Final Office Action mailed on April 24, 2003 finally rejecting claims 21 to 44.

This is also a Request pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) by which Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time in which to respond to the Final Office Action so that the original three month response period is extended from July 24, 2003 to October 24, 2003. An Amendment is being filed concurrently (attached hereto) with this Notice of Appeal.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the 37 C.F.R. § 1.191 Notice of Appeal fee, which is believed to be **\$330.00**, and the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) three-month extension fee, which is believed to be **\$950.00**, and the additional dependent claim fee of **\$18.00**, to the deposit account number **11-0600** of **Kenyon & Kenyon**. The Commissioner is also authorized, as appropriate and/or necessary, to charge any additional fees, including any additional Rule 136(a) extension fees, or credit any excess fees to deposit account number **11-0600** of **Kenyon & Kenyon**. Two duplicate copies of this paper are enclosed for those purposes.

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